

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
FOR THE MIDDLE DISTRICT OF PENNSYLVANIA

LAWRENCE J. KANSKY

Plaintiff,

vs.

LUZERNE COUNTY, LUZERNE  
COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT,  
and LUZERNE COUNTY SHERIFF  
BRIAN SZUMSKI, individually and in  
his official capacity,

Defendants:

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: CIVIL NO. 3: 20-CV-0042  
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: (JUDGE MANNION)  
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**DEFENDANTS' MOTION TO DISMISS PLAINTIFF'S COMPLAINT**

AND NOW, come the Defendants, LUZERNE COUNTY, LUZERNE  
COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT AND LUZERNE COUNTY SHERIFF  
BRIAN SZUMSKI, by and through their counsel, Dougherty, Leventhal & Price,  
LLP, and hereby move this Honorable Court to dismiss the Plaintiff's Complaint  
pursuant to F.R.C.P. 12(b)(6), averring in support the following:

1. On or about January 9, 2020, Plaintiff Lawrence Kansky filed a  
Complaint in against Defendants alleging his civil rights were violated.  
Summons were issued on January 10, 2020. Waivers were returned thereby

making Defendants responsive pleading due on or before March 13, 2020.

2. On January 17, 2020, undersigned counsel has entered his appearance on behalf of the Defendants

3. Defendants hereby move for the dismissal of the Complaint pursuant to F.R.C.P. No. 12(b)(6) on the grounds that the Plaintiff's Complaint fails to state a claim upon which relief can be granted. The grounds upon which this Motion is based will be fully outlined in the Defendants' supporting brief which will be filed pursuant to Local Rule 7.5.

4. Undersigned counsel contacted counsel for Plaintiff, Cynthia L. Pollick, Esquire, and she does not concur in the filing of this Motion.

WHEREFORE, Defendants pray for the entry of an Order dismissing Plaintiff's Complaint in its entirety.

Respectfully submitted:

DOUGHERTY, LEVENTHAL & PRICE, L.L.P.

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## **CERTIFICATE OF NON-CONCURRENCE**

I, Sean P. McDonough, Esquire, attorney for Defendants, hereby certify that I contacted counsel for the Plaintiff, Cynthia I. Pollick, Esquire and she does not concur in the filing of this motion.

Date: March 11, 2020

s/Sean P. McDonough,  
Sean P. McDonough, Esquire  
Attorney For Defendants

## **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I, SEAN P. McDONOUGH, ESQUIRE, hereby certify that on the 13<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2020, I served the foregoing MOTION TO DISMISS PLAINTIFF'S COMPLAINT , upon the persons indicated below as follows:

Via electronic filing

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Respectfully submitted,

DOUGHERTY, LEVENTHAL & PRICE, L.L.P.

s/Sean P. McDonough

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